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A SIGN OF THE TIMES.

The course of the Republican press in relation to the death of the late Mr. Greeley reflects the highest credit upon the profession of journalism in America. We refer to the Republican press in this connection because it was by that press that Mr. Greeley's claims were opposed, and we should regret to believe that if Gen. Grant should be overtaken by misfortune the Democratic press would be less magnanimous. The campaign which closed only a short time before Mr. Greeley's death was characterized by great energy on both sides and some bitterness of feeling was manifested. Ere the smoke of the great political contest had cleared away one of the principal candidates was cut off by death, and he who had been the subject of derision and ridicule, as well as sharp criticism, was removed from earth by death. Yet, notwithstanding the feeling of the Republican press in regard to Mr. Greeley's course in becoming the champion of the Democracy, his great personal misfortune touched the heart of Republican and Democrat alike. All forgot on the one hand admiration and on the other detestation of his political course. Each disregarded considerations of a partisan nature, and weighed the deceased, eminent as a journalist and distinguished as a philanthropist and patriot, by the standard of his private worth. No true man who supported Mr. Greeley in the late contest can fail to appreciate the magnanimous course of the Republican press towards the late standard bearer of the Democracy. It is also highly gratifying to know that President Grant (unless prevented by the pressure of public duties) will join in the funeral obsequies of his late rival for the Presidency. Such instances of generosity to a foe, who has sunk beneath the weight of personal misfortune, make us feel that we are all skin, that humanity is not so bad as it is represented, that much which is said during the heat of a Presidential contest is in reality not meant, and leads us to the pleasing hope that the animosities engendered by the late civil strife are rapidly passing from the memory and will soon be buried in oblivion forever; that a lofty patriotism stimulates a more generous feeling and a higher estimate of each other as citizens of a common country, component parts of an inseparable Union. The signs of the times point to an era of good feeling. It certainly has come that men can differ widely on political questions and still cherish feelings of high personal regard for each other.

ELECTORAL VOTES.—Yesterday was the day on which the Electors chosen on the 5th of November were required to meet at the several State capitals and vote for President and Vice President. From several of the States which voted Republican we have news of the vote being cast for Grant and Wilson. From other States no returns have been announced. The States, however, which went Democratic, now that their chief is dead, were left without any distinct indication of the will of their constituents, and therefore voted as their judgment dictated. The vote of Maryland was cast for Hon. Thos. A. Hendricks, Governor elect of Indiana. This is the first instance since the foundation of the Government that the candidate of any party which carried one or more States has died between the choice of Electors by the people and the election of President by the Electors.

CALIFORNIA ELECTION RETURNS.—The official returns of California have been announced, and show 54,020 votes for Grant, 40,718 for Greeley, and 1,051 for O'Connor. This shows a total vote of 96,850, and a majority for Grant of 12,251. The year before the total vote was 120,101; the vote of Booth was 62,581, 8,561 more than Grant received at the late election. The vote for Haight in 1871 was 54,830, 12,051 more than the combined vote of Greeley and O'Connor. There was a decrease of 24,312 votes from 1871 to 1872, of which the Republicans lost 8,581 and the Democrats 15,751. In 1868 Grant had 506 majority, and this year polled only 163 votes more than he had in 1868, yet he gets a majority of 12,251.

Tax Legislatures of all the States, it is said, will be asked this year to call a National Convention, for the purpose of revising the Constitution of the United States.

SHALL POCHE BECOME A RAILROAD CENTRE?

The answer to the above inquiry is one of great importance to all. Let us see. The road from Pioche to Bullionville is now a fixed fact, and will soon satisfy all that a railroad centre has been fixed. The road from Palisades, via Eureka, to Pioche, with the published names as incorporators, is sufficient to guarantee to the most skeptical that we are soon to be in direct communication with the railroad system of California. The road south from Bullionville to the 35th parallel is now the object of interest to us of the Sagebrush and Silver State. We are advised from authentic and reliable sources, that the route is eminently practicable, and though in a mountainous country the grades are light and the cost of construction comparatively cheap. We shall refer to this subject again, and content ourselves for the present, with naming a few of the resources that will enrich this community as soon as a road is constructed south.

First, we name the vast coal fields of Cedar, Coal Creek, Kanarra, Shirts Creek and Pace Creek, in Utah, that will be opened up by this road to benefit and bless mankind.

Second, the vast iron deposits of Iron County and the southeastern portion of this county. These deposits have not their equal in the world, either in extent and richness of ore or facilities for work. Indeed we can make all the railroad bars that may be required for this road or that of any road that may be embraced in the railroad systems of California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona or Colorado.

Third, to these we may add the vast deposits of salt and ammonia known to exist along the proposed southern route. Fourth, add to these the vast amount of low grade silver ores that are found on every hand, and we at once conclude that as a financial enterprise it will pay from its inception, and will greatly benefit all classes of labor and reward the man of enterprise.

A dispatch from San Francisco, dated November 29, says: Yesterday, about 1 p. m., Charles Wickes, about nineteen years old, brakeman on the Central Pacific Railroad, and son of A. M. Wickes, clerk at the Grand Hotel, met with an accident at Pleasanton which caused his death. He had just coupled the cars and given the signal to go ahead, when he was jostled off the top of the car and run over. His right leg was broken and his head was cut from the left ear up to the right temple. No physician being in Pleasanton, he was brought to San Leandro, where it was found necessary to amputate his right leg. He had suffered so much from loss of blood, however, that he died at San Leandro at 5 p. m. (If we mistake not the name of the young man killed was Wickware, and he was a nephew of a gentleman by that name who was shot on Main street, Pioche, on the 18th of May last, during a shooting scrape between two other men.)

Miners will be interested in the following letter received by General R. M. Hughes of this city, says the Denver News, from W. W. Curtis, Acting Commissioner of the General Land Office, under date of November 13, 1872, from which we are permitted to make the subjoined extract. The ruling cannot fail to receive wide-spread attention from our mining population, to whom this letter is particularly referred:

"In reply to your letter of the 3d inst., I have to state that the only laws governing the disposal of coal lands are those of July 1st, 1864, and March 3d, 1865. This office does not require proof of an annual expenditure upon each mining claim, except in the case of an application for patent for such claim; but in case any owner or locator should fail to make the expenditure required by the 5th section of the act of May 10th, 1872, upon his mining claim, such claim becomes open to re-location by other parties."

N. Furlong, ex-School Superintendent of Santa Clara county, Cal., succeeded in accomplishing the disgrace of Miss Maggie Bose, aged 17 years, and then ran away. The young woman gave birth to a child, which lived but a few days. The San Jose Mercury says: Furlong is a native of Ireland, aged 31—a thick-set, full-faced man, with heavy beard. He has a smooth, oily tongue, and a sanctimonious air. A little touch of the "higher law" is just what is needed in his case, and is probably what he will get if he ever shows his face in these parts again.

At a recent meeting of the San Francisco Academy of Science a paper was contributed by a Dr. Gourner, detailing a process by which he can destroy any portion of the brain that might be desired without killing the animal. A little hole is made in the skull and a blue solution of chloride of zinc injected on that part of the brain selected, which at once becomes petrified. The experiments were successfully tried on rabbits.

On the 13th ult., the Democratic and Liberal Republicans of Ohio, through their Central Committees, issued an address in which they estimated their strength at the last election at 3,500,000, leaving Grant about 500,000 majority in a vote of 7,000,000—a majority of about seven per cent. They claimed that only 65 per cent. of the Democrats voted, and some of them voted for Grant.

Telegraphic Dispatches.

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PACIFIC COAST.
San Francisco, Dec. 4.—It is reported that the P. M. S. S. Co. has purchased the steamers of the Webb Australian line, and will perform the service contracted for by the California, New Zealand and Australia Company, if Congress grants a subsidy.

The committee of the Board of Supervisors charged with the duty of investigating affairs at the Industrial School, has commenced its work. Thus far, the charges made against the Superintendent have not been substantiated by proof.

Small-pox has made its appearance at Nortonville, Contra Costa county. Only one case has appeared thus far, and the patient was removed. Money has been raised to build a pest house.

R. M. Lee, one of the counsel for the Brotherhoods, is in jail, and likely to remain there until the time for his trial.

San Francisco, Dec. 4.—The Cocos Island expedition has been for the present abandoned.

The Pioneer consolidated Mining Company has been incorporated to work in Eureka District, Nevada; capital \$3,000,000.

Dennis Godfrey, who tried to kill his wife and then himself, was tried in the Municipal Court to-day for assault with intent to murder. Dr. Johnson made a phenological examination of the man's head. The jury have not yet returned a verdict.

The William Taber sails hence for San Diego next Wednesday as an opposition steamer.

Geo. D. Roberts is credited with having returned to J. W. Gashwiler \$20,000 which he was induced to pay for diamond stock.

Slight rain this afternoon and weather still cloudy.

Ex-Gov. H. H. Haight has been elected to fill the vacancy in the Board of Regents of the State University caused by the death of Edward Tomkins.

Flags are at half-mast to-day in respect to the memory of Horace Greeley.

Vallejo, Cal., Dec. 4.—Pay Director Doran will be relieved as Navy Yard Paymaster shortly, and assigned the position of Inspector of Provisions and Clothing at Mare Island.

A perceptible decline in the insurance business is felt by the insurance companies in Vallejo since the increased rates have been enforced.

San Diego, Dec. 4.—Real estate matters have been given a decided impetus by the settlement of the claims of the Gila Company. Among other transactions, a block has been purchased for the erection of a large machine shop and foundry. The buildings are to be in readiness in January.

Santa Cruz, Dec. 4.—Yesterday, in the Blakey case the Court denied the motion of defendant to set aside the indictment. A demurrer to the indictment was then filed. The demurrer was overruled and the case set for trial January 29.

Advices from the quicksilver mine at Mount Pleasant are encouraging. Operations have been resumed, and the shaft ledge is widening in the direction of the hill. The company contemplate the early erection of the reduction works, retorts, etc.

Salt Lake, Dec. 4.—A Mormon girl was burned to death in Bear Lake valley a few days ago by her clothes taking fire from a stove.

Benj. Sivensen was murdered at the San Pete coal beds on Saturday by Matt Daley.

EASTERN.

Omaha, Dec. 3.—The epizootic reached this city on its westward march.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 3.—In the House to-day, Schofield, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported a bill to authorize the construction of ten steam vessels, and appropriating \$3,000,000 for that purpose; the vessels to carry, each, ten or more guns of large calibre, and the hulls to be of iron or wood, as the Secretary of the Navy may determine.

Hale, of N. H., offered an amendment that not less than five of thirteen vessels shall be constructed at private yards, under contract.

A debate ensued, Randall, of Pa., objecting to the bill as too loosely drawn, and lending too much discretion to the Secretary of the Navy.

Schofield and Shellabarger argued in favor of the policy which would be inaugurated by the passage of the bill, and suggested a reduction of the number to five.

Banks said he introduced the bill at the last session in anticipation of trouble with Spain, had not affairs in the Gulf of Mexico improved?

Schofield, in reply to the question proposed as to the size of the vessels, said 400 or 500 tons would be large enough, and he did not suppose any would exceed 1,000 tons.

Schofield opposed Hale's amendment, and took occasion to refer to Banks as having sympathized with the effort to involve us in war with Spain.

Banks denied the imputation.

From a telegram received by an official here, it appears that the election of Merriam to the U. S. Senate is regarded as a Republican triumph.

A short Cabinet session was held to-day.

Secretary Belknap, Postmaster General Crosswell, and probably other members of the Cabinet, and Gen. Babcock, accompanied the President to New York, to attend the funeral of Mr. Greeley.

New York, Dec. 3.—There will be no music in the funeral procession of Mr. Greeley.

In the Tweed case, the Court adjourned until Thursday.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 3.—The Court House Republican Branch of the Legislature unanimously elected Spencer U. S. Senator. The Capitol, or Conservative branch, adjourned without nominating.

New York, December 3.—The body of Horace Greeley arrived at the City Hall at 8 o'clock. It was borne there in a superb hearse, attended by an escort of honor. This evening, in presence of comparatively few spectators, it was carried to the Governor's room, and placed upon a temporary bier. The coffin was black, with heavy silver handles. At the head was a portrait of Mr. Greeley as he appeared in life, and a large caplet tube of roses. The lid bore the following inscription:

HORACE GREELEY.

Born Feb. 3, 1811. Died Nov. 29, 1872. It was ornamented with festoons of natural fern leaves, and at the head was this inscription:

"I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVETH." And at the foot, worked in violets: "THE CITY MOURNS OUR LOSS."

Greeley lay with his left arm lying by his side, and right across his breast. The face was terribly emaciated and worn. Its appearance was that of a man who had, after terrible sufferings, succumbed in a prolonged fight with the combined forces of mental and bodily anguish. Although preparations for receiving the public were not completed until ten o'clock, as early as 8 o'clock the square in front of the City Hall was occupied by thousands of men, women and children, intent upon taking a farewell look. Everywhere the utmost decorum prevailed. A hush pervaded the entire assemblage.

Columbus, O., Dec. 4.—The Presidential Electors to-day formally cast their votes for U. S. Grant as President, and Henry Wilson as Vice President; and selected Chas. Grosvener as special Messenger to carry the returns to Washington City.

New York, Dec. 4.—The distribution of tickets of admission to Greeley's obsequies was made at the Common Council Chamber this morning, to distinguished personages, President Grant's ticket being sent to him at the hotel, and thereafter, at about 10:30 o'clock, the party took the carriages and left for the church according to programme. Broadway is lined with spectators, waiting for the funeral procession. Flags are suspended at half-mast from nearly all the buildings on either side of the whole length of the thoroughfares. The interior of the Church of the Paternity, where the obsequies were held, presented a solemnly beautiful appearance. Outside, the concourse of people waited in respectful silence. The church opened about 10:30 o'clock, though the ladies had previously been admitted, and filled the galleries. Among the first celebrities to arrive were President Grant, Gov. Hoffman, Senator Conklyn, and following them, the Vice President elect, (Wilson,) Minister Washburn and Secretary Belknap. There were also Gen. Schurz, Lyman Trumbull and Vice President Colfax, who took a seat near the President. The crowds outside extended as far as the eye could reach on both sides of Fifth Avenue, awaiting the arrival of the procession. At eleven the funeral procession started from Mr. Sinclair's house, 45th street.

Many affecting scenes took place there during the morning. Mr. Greeley's daughters were inconsolable in their grief. The corpse was borne by ten men. Next came the chief mourners, then the Tribune Association, next the Herald Club; then followed in succession military and civil officers. According to programme, at 11:20 the procession entered the church. The solemnity of the scene was most impressive, and the people in church scarcely breathed. Prominent among those who slowly wended their way up the aisle were Thurlow Weed, Wm. M. Everts and Mayor Hall. There were also present Postmaster General Crosswell, Gen